

## Office of the President

Chairman Julius Genachowski Commissioner Mignon Clyburn Commissioner Michael Copps Commissioner Robert McDowell

Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> St. SW Washington, D.C. 20554

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Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

As the President of Luna Community College (LCC), I am writing in support of the merger between AT&T and T-Mobile USA. Ours is a growing campus of students in a rural area, all in need of good cell phone coverage and high-speed wireless Internet. I believe this merger would greatly enhance our educational resources. AT&T and T-Mobile will come together to provide better services in rural areas, such as ours surrounding Las Vegas, NM, helping to enhance the learning and work environment for our students and educators. More wireless broadband availability will help the rural parts of this state keep up with the need for additional access to the revolution in smartphones and other high-tech devices.

AT&T is petitioning to combine with T-Mobile in order to better reach the rural areas of New Mexico and around the country. The combined effort will offer better coverage for cell phone reception and high-speed wireless Internet at competitive rates, both of which will help students to succeed and will provide broadband to rural areas that do not currently receive good coverage.

Together with T-Mobile, AT&T will open many new possibilities for higher education in rural areas—a goal Luna Community College itself aims to achieve. Post-merger coverage will include over 97% of the United States population, bringing rural areas into the advanced broadband age. Please consider this letter as support and my recommendation of approval of the merger.

The people of Luna County and surrounding rural counties will benefit greatly from the increased wireless broadband access this merger will provide.

Siempre,

Pete Campos, EdD President

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